

DEMOCRATS VOTING IN SOUTH CAROLINA

Primaries Which Will Settle the Election Except for Formalities.

CLOSING OF HOT CAMPAIGN

Six Candidates for Successor to Senator McLaurin and Many for Governor. Sensational Fight of Senator Tillman's Nephew for Chief Executive.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Aug. 26.—The Democratic primary elections for South Carolina, which for all practical purposes settle the State elections, are being held today.

A United States Senator to succeed Senator McLaurin will be nominated. Six candidates are in the field. It will hardly be possible to elect any one of them on the first ballot.

There is a big fight for the election of governor, and the contest seems to have narrowed down between Lieut. Gov. James H. Tillman and D. C. Heyward.

Representatives will be elected in the various districts, and it is estimated that more than 2,000 candidates are seeking the different offices in the State.

An unusually heavy vote is being predicted. Close of Exciting Campaign.

The well-known disclaimer with which South Carolinians regard a dull time leads to more than usual interest in the election. An exciting campaign has closed, and an exciting finish is taking place. Several situations have proceeded from the campaigners during their two months' tour of the State, and as the narrowed and final contest comes further news items are expected at any moment.

The conscript fathers of South Carolina are separated from private life in a unique manner. The Democratic primary decides everything political, and all appeals from it have proved ruinous to the persons undertaking them.

United States Senators and Representatives are chosen by primary, and the general election in November and the election in the Legislature are mere formalities. Preliminary to the primary election is the State campaign, which has come to be a ponderous affair. Meetings are held at every county seat, and all candidates for Senator, Representative, and for State offices are expected—practically required—to attend and address the people. All candidates are obliged to abide the result of the primary, as are all voters.

Candidates in Caravans.

The candidates are formed into caravans, and moved from place to place, usually being halted at five county seats each week. This year the candidates became so numerous that they were divided into two caravans, and rushed through the State on different schedules. There are forty-four counties, and there were therefore eighty-eight gatherings of the people to hear men plead for jobs, exclusive of the excursions arranged by the candidates themselves or worked up by friends when the railroad schedules afforded opportunity. The campaign is expensive and trying to the candidates, but the number gets larger every year. Candidates complain that the present campaign has afforded the campaigners the opportunity of speaking to only about a tenth of the voters of the State, and it is claimed that the candidates nearly all points have been thoroughly representative and that every pilgrim toward the blissful precincts of jobdom has had a fair chance.

Senator Tillman Out of Contest.

Senator Tillman is out of the contest for the first time in twelve years. He is the originator of the caravan system, and on those rare occasions when he has not been of the party his influence has been at work in the State and plainly in evidence on the returns. While the campaigners this year do not stir the people as the Senator used to do, they are keeping each other and the people interested.

A few spats and one actual fight has occurred, but the campaign on the whole is said to have been a dignified and instructive one. There are no "discuss" and all the seekers after the job of being Mr. Tillman's colleague are following the doctrines he so strenuously urges and defends.

Senator McLaurin would not agree to abide the result of the majority of the people. It is likely that if the junior Senator had gone into the race the senior Senator would have resigned to get into the running with him. No one in the race stands for the "commercial Democrat" view, which practically indorses Republican policies.

The first primary is to be held on Tuesday and the second primary two weeks later. It is a party rule that the nominee must have a majority of the votes cast in the primary, and it is extremely improbable that anyone will get the nomination on the first ballot. There are about 100,000 voters, and it is said no candidate has a faction or any other element of special strength other than his "favorite son" grounds.

Representative Latimer, who was for a while said to be the Tillman candidate, is posing as the lone fighter against five lawyers. He has been in Congress ten years and relies on his record of activity. He once defeated for the House Col. George Johnston, who is regarded as the brightest criminal lawyer in the State and the star orator of the campaign party. Colonel Johnston is making a hot race.

Ex-Representative Hemphill.

Another candidate is John J. Hemphill, well known in Washington. He was formerly a Representative and went down under the Tillman wave. Ex-Gov. John Gary Evans is in the race for the Senate for the third time. He is a Tillmanite.

The other candidates are D. S. Henderson, a noted criminal lawyer, and Col. William Elliott, who has represented the "black district" for several terms, and who has been a party to a dozen contested election cases. All are strong stump speakers, and in the thirty-minute speeches which they have been allowed to make over the State have covered a great deal of the ground political.

For governor there are five candidates and one of them is a Tillman. Nearly every newspaper in the State, and a

great many individuals, are trying to make it appear that James H. Tillman is an unworthy nephew of Senator Tillman. The young man, a son of a former Congressman, is now lieutenant governor, and it is charged that he deliberately misquoted Speaker Henderson and Senator Frye, to whom he appealed for vindication in regard to one of his rulings while presiding over the State senate.

Failed to Fight at the Lie.

He stands further indicted with having failed to fight when an editor called him a liar on the stand in the presence of the people. According to the most reliable reports the submission to the charge of liar finishes him in the race, but his foremost foes, evidently do not feel comfortably sure that he is dead.

He has some abiding popularity from his connection with the First South Carolina Regiment, the members of which elected him lieutenant governor. The Booker Washington dinner business will help him, too, in connection with his Quixotic withdrawal of the Jenkins sword because of its association with Senator Tillman. It is also to be remembered that "Jim" Tillman is a man of fine appearance and a fluent speaker. He is claimed to be a beneficiary of the ten years' war.

Speaking of the fight on Colonel Tillman, a prominent politician says: "The opponents of Jim Tillman are handicapped by the fierce fight made by some of them on Ben Tillman. No man has ever been worse abused than Ben Tillman, and the fact that he emerged from every skirmish stronger and more secure with the people is taken now by his followers to mean that the war was unjust and unequal for Ben Tillman's home life and private character are above reproach and he made his fight for the success of a distinctive set of principles."

Senator Ward's Nephew Defeated.

"Jim is trying to make it appear that the same old fight is being made on him just because he is a Tillman. This the followers of Ben Tillman violently deny. The Senator is said to desire the defeat of the nephew. Anyways Jim Tillman will get lost in the second race if not in the first."

D. C. Heyward, a rice planter, who has heretofore abstained from politics, is perhaps the leading candidate for governor. He is a member of a fine old family and is a popular man and a good speaker. He is a great fraternity man.

Congressman W. Jasper Talbert, whose business it is to fight private pension bills while in Washington, is another candidate. The up-country man is M. F. Ansel, a former State prosecuting attorney. The third Edgefield county man in the race is Dr. W. W. Timmerman, former lieutenant governor and State treasurer.

There are fifty candidates for the nine State offices.

TWO SQUIRREL HUNTERS ACCIDENTALLY WOUNDED

Premature Discharge of a Shotgun Does Bloody Work.

ELKTON, Md., Aug. 26.—Hugh McKane and Frederick Jamison, two young men residing near Cowantown, Cecil County, were seriously injured late yesterday afternoon, while gunning, by the premature discharge of a gun.

They were after squirrels, and, the men not working to their satisfaction, they were making an examination of the barrel when it was accidentally discharged. Jamison received the contents of the gun in his right hand and wrist, almost severing his hand, in addition to mauling his arm. McKane received part of the contents of the gun in his left hand, tearing away three fingers. They were brought to Elkton and received surgical attention. Their wounds, while serious, are not considered dangerous.

SHAVING A BILL FOR HANGING TWO NEGROES

Maryland Sheriff Has His Account. Pecked Down to an Even \$1,000.

ELLCOTT CITY, Md., Aug. 26.—It is said that a settlement of the difference between Sheriff James L. Hobbs and the county commissioners over the bill of expenses for hanging Johnson and Jones may be effected.

The sheriff's bill amounted to \$1,527, as originally made out, including the charges for the guards, deputies and actual execution. It is understood that the commissioners as a compromise are willing to pay about \$1,000 for the hanging, thus shaving the bill \$527, while the sheriff has offered to take off \$327.

PRICE OF BOTTLES TO BE ADVANCED

Increase Due to Rise in Cost of Material and Labor.

CHICAGO, Aug. 26.—The Western Green Glass Bottle Association, which has been in session several days at the Auditorium Hotel, has decided to raise the price of bottles from 10 to 15 cents per gross.

This statement was given out officially last night by L. L. Turner, the president of the association. "The cause of this raise," said Mr. Turner, "is the increased cost of production, which is due to the advance in the price of both labor and materials. Some of the members of the association were in favor of a greater increase, but it was decided to go at the matter slowly and make a small advance at this time."

PRISONERS TELL OF BURIED TREASURE

Taken From Jail to Dig for It, But It Is Not Unearthed.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Aug. 26.—Upon the representations that they had buried a treasure at Williamstown, Ben Craig, an alleged postoffice robber, and Wesley Currence, an alleged pension swindler, were taken by a deputy sheriff from the jail to Williamstown, where they dug for several hours for the buried treasure, but failed to unearth it.

A chart was used to locate the place, and when the deputy sheriff gave up the search a lot of boys took it up, expecting to discover several hundred dollars

SHORT STORIES FROM THE SMALL AD. PAGE

Wedding Bells to Chime as End of Happy Romance of Policeman.

The announcement shortly to be made of the engagement of one of the best known members of the local police department to a young lady who but a few months ago was a stranger to the city will bring forth the story of a particularly pleasing romance.

The young lady in question was recently thrown upon her own resources and, leaving her home in Virginia, started for New York to seek employment. During the short time in this city between trains she visited the Capitol, the shrine to which all true Americans direct their pilgrimage. On returning to the station, she was shocked to find that her pocketbook was missing. This book not only contained her ticket to New York, but all of her money.

In dismay she turned to the police for assistance and was referred to Police Headquarters where she reported her loss. Whether it was her exceptional beauty, the charm of her manner, or that undefined something that draws two souls together, the gallant officer who waited upon her exhibited an unusual interest in her case as she explained to him that she had no ticket to leave the city and no money to remain here.

He quieted her fears, made arrangements for her over night in a private family, and induced her to make use of the time that she was compelled to remain here by inserting a small "ad." in the want column setting forth her ability as a stenographer, and await results. The result came the following morning when the pocketbook, which had been picked up on the Capitol terrace, was returned to her, and as a result of the "ad." in The Times she secured a position with one of the most prominent attorneys here.

In a confidential conversation with a friend the other day she declared that her approaching happiness was due entirely to the small "ad." in The Times, as had it not been for that she might have gone to New York and probably never heard again of the gallant officer.

BURIED HIMSELF TO ESCAPE PROSECUTION

Missouri Bigamist's Clever Game Foiled.

Betrayed by Buying Peaches With Ice to Put in His Coffin—Makes Confession.

EMPORIA, Kan., Aug. 26.—The mystery of the burial of a coffin filled with ice at Orlando, Oklahoma, has been cleared away. It was an attempt to escape prosecution for bigamy. Coda S. Morris, with a recently-married wife at Emporia, was "buried" by himself, alias John Cox of Gentry, Mo.

His real name was James Pendleton and he is mayor of Gentry, Mo., where he has a wife and five children. His attempt to "bury" Coda S. Morris at Orlando was to elude his bride, Grace Obley Morris, of Emporia.

Pendleton was arrested Sunday, and made a full confession to the sheriff of Lyon County here. Sheriff O'Connor went to Albany and returned to Emporia with Pendleton. Mrs. Coda Morris accompanied Sheriff O'Connor. She identified Pendleton as the man to whom she was married June 17 in Emporia.

The warrant was sworn out for Pendleton's arrest on the charge of bigamy by his second wife, Grace Obley Morris, of Emporia. August 15, under the name of John Cox, Pendleton bought the coffin and 200 pounds of ice at Perry, Okla., for the burial of Coda Morris, and also purchased a crate of peaches. The coffin and ice were sent to Orlando, the peaches to Mrs. James Pendleton, Gentry, Mo. On this clue the mystery was easily solved.

It was discovered that James Pendleton returned to his home in Gentry, August 16, from Oklahoma, after an absence of eight months. Sheriff O'Connor telegraphed the mayor of Gentry to arrest Pendleton. He refused to do so because Pendleton was the mayor. O'Connor then telegraphed Sheriff Barkley at Albany, Mo., the county seat, to arrest Pendleton, and he did so.

THE KAISER AND CZAR ON THE BEST OF TERMS

No Such Relations Declared to Exist Between Russia's Ruler and Other Monarchs.

BERLIN, Aug. 26.—The "National Zeitung" today denies the statement emanating from Paris to the effect that the Kaiser and the Czar disagreed during their conference at Reval, Russia. The paper says:

"Such confidential relations as exist between the Kaiser and the Czar do not exist between the Czar and any other monarch."

DEVoured FOUR PIES; DIED WITHIN AN HOUR

Aged Man Succumbs as the Result of a "Pie Social."

SHARON, Pa., Aug. 26.—Daniel Poulk, a well-known resident of Eastern Mercer County, attended a pie social at the residence of Frank Callahan, near Sugar Grove.

He was fond of pie and ate four. Within a short time after he was taken violently ill and died within a few hours. He was sixty-six years of age.

CUT SNAKE BITE OUT OF LEG WITH KNIFE

Heroic Treatment Saves the Life of an Aged Farmer.

UNIONTOWN, Pa., Aug. 26.—A copperhead snake bit David Keener, an eighty-year-old farmer, in the leg, near Gates, on Saturday.

With a pocket knife Keener cut a chunk out of his leg, making a wide gash around the snake bite and caused profuse bleeding. He then walked home. He is recovering from the wound, but aid than his self-inflicted wound.

OFFICERS BACK FROM TRIAL TRIP OF MAINE

Major Lee Was Personal Guest of Cramps.

MUCH PLEASED WITH TRIAL

Says Battleship Is Without Doubt the Most Remarkable Vessel Afloat. Made Average Speed of 17.3 Knots in Trip From Boston to Philadelphia.

Major Jesse B. K. Lee, chief clerk of the Bureau of Ordnance at the Washington Navy Yard, has returned to Washington from Boston, where he witnessed the trial trip of the battleship Maine on Saturday last. Major Lee left here on Wednesday last, to be the personal guest of Mr. Edwin S. Cramp, vice-president of the Cramps Ship Company, whom he met in New York, and the two proceeded together to Boston and registered at La Touraine.

Capt. E. H. C. Lautze, superintendent of the naval gun foundry at the Washington Navy Yard, also witnessed the remarkable performance of the new battleship, as did also Lieut. Commander T. S. Rodgers, who is stationed at Cramps' shipyards. When the boat is put into commission Captain Lautze is to be its first commanding officer, while Commander Rodgers will be executive officer, and Chief Gunner M. W. Gilmartin, who is now at Cramps, will be gunner.

Is Enthusiastic.

Major Lee speaks enthusiastically of the new addition to the navy, which, he says, is without doubt the most remarkable vessel afloat. During the trial trip of eighty miles he was aboard the vessel with a number of other distinguished guests. A record of 18.3 knots was made, and at times her speed was much greater than that, while her slowest time, with tide and wind against her, was 17.96 knots.

The Maine returned to Boston Harbor about 7 o'clock Saturday evening, and three hours later started for Philadelphia, with a number of guests aboard. She arrived there about 1 o'clock yesterday morning, making an average speed of 17.3 knots on the run from Boston down the coast and up the Delaware. Major Lee came directly to Washington and returned to duty at the navy yard.

WOMAN NEARLY CHOKED BY A PEACH STONE

Narrow Escape From Death of a Pennsylvania Woman.

CHESTER, Pa., Aug. 26.—Mrs. Maude Myers, of Danville, Pa., who is visiting the home of Mrs. Emma Lafey, on Franklin Street, nearly choked to death while eating a peach.

A peach stone lodged in her throat and the efforts of Drs. Horning and Ford failed to dislodge it. She was hurried to the hospital, suffering intense agony, and the stone was finally removed. Her throat is severely lacerated by the operation, but no serious consequences are expected to attend the peculiar accident.

BAND COMPOSED OF STRIKING MINERS

Musicians Run Against a Hard Snag at Reading, Pa.

READING, Pa., Aug. 26.—A brass band, composed of striking anthracite miners, is in this city, giving street concerts and taking up collections.

A delegation from the band called upon city authorities to secure permission to hold a concert in the City Park. They were informed that they would have to apply to the park board.

"Who is the president of the board?" asked the spokesman of the miners. "George F. Baer," was the reply.

The miners were crestfallen, and exclaimed: "Why, he seems to be in everything."

They said they guessed they might as well give up thinking of the park as a place for their concerts.

Dewey Hotel's New Proprietor.

The Dewey Hotel, which is located on L Street, just east of Fourteenth, has been leased by Mr. George R. Jones, proprietor of the Spring City Hotel, Waukesha, Wis., and the Waukesha Hotel at Hot Springs, Ark. He will arrive in Washington about October 1 to open the hotel. The Dewey was erected only a few years ago by the late Col. Nathaniel McKay, who died recently at Atlantic City, and was conducted by him until the time of his death. It is now owned by a stock company, of which Mr. Wiedersheim, Colonel McKay's son-in-law, is president.



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LOCAL BRANCH OF THE SOLDIER-POLITICIANS

Washington Council, No. 1, Organized and Soon to Have First Public Meeting.

Washington Council No. 1, of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Political League, which was organized last evening at the office of Mr. Charles M. Forest, 612 F Street northwest, will hold a public session next Tuesday evening for the purpose of formally completing its organization. The time and place of the meeting will be announced hereafter. In the meantime the necessary printing will be secured and an invitation extended to all veterans to affiliate with the organization at the meeting named. The purpose of the organization is to oppose the existing political parties, according to those interested, but to unite old soldiers and sailors so as to make them a factor with the political bodies, which, it is claimed, have not given the veterans the recognition due them.

MAY RESULT IN STRIKE ALONG GREAT LAKES

Buffalo Dry Dock Employees Walk Out.

Workmen Refused to Make Repairs on a Tug Owned by the Trust.

BUFFALO, Aug. 26.—Out of 500 men regularly employed by the Buffalo Dry Dock Company only a handful are at work today, putting the finishing touches on a small boat, the repairs to which are urgent. All the other employees have quit work because the company attempted to repair a tug belonging to the Great Lakes Towing Company, otherwise known as the tug trust.

The trouble had its inception last Thursday when the trust tug was accepted. Since then the men have dropped their tools and the company has retaliated by refusing to accept any more boats for repairs. The men declare that such action amounts to a lockout, and they talk of a general strike along the Great Lakes and say that it is within their power to create a strike which will put a stop to all ship work on the lakes. Nothing more will be done on either side until the central body of the shipbuilders' organization passes on the case. Some of the men who have quit work, it is said, are opposed to striking.

HALL CAINE ACTS AS GUIDE FOR THE KING

Author Points Out the Places on the Isle of Man.

LONDON, Aug. 26.—The voyage of King Edward around Great Britain brought him to the Isle of Man on Monday and he landed there with Queen Alexandra and Princess Victoria. The party took carriages to view the historic sites and the dignitaries joined in the procession.

Hall Caine, who happened to be stopping at his residence on the island, came along and acted as guide. When they came to the interesting ruins he explained to the King the old coronaries which occurred there.

There were many holiday makers on the island and they displayed great enthusiasm. When the royal party embarked on the yacht they were cheered till they were beyond earshot.

BANK OF SPAIN TO OPEN A BRANCH IN LONDON

Change Caused by Experience of Spanish Captain in England.

MADRID, Aug. 26.—The Bank of Spain will shortly open a branch in London. Four large banks, including the Rothschilds, are now transacting Spain's finances in England.

The change has been caused directly by the experiences of a Spanish captain in England. The captain arrived at West England port and tried, through the Spanish officials there, to cash a draft for £1,000 on the Spanish ministry of marine. The four banks having charge of Spain's English finances declined to cash the draft. The captain returned to Spain and raised trouble because of his experience. This brought matters to a head, and the Bank of Spain finally decided to be directly represented and take away from the four banks their Spanish business. This business amounts to £500,000 yearly.

Prominent Steamer Passengers.

NEW YORK, Aug. 26.—Among the passengers who arrived today on the steamer Frederick der Grosse from Bremen and Cherbourg were Prof. Jesse Benedict Carter, A. B. Crosby, E. R. Graham, C. F. Judson, C. W. Morgan, Dr. J. H. Schulze and Capt. Cecil Tucker.

GLITTER OF GOLDEN KLONDIKE FADING

State Department Receives Gloomy Report.

METAL PRODUCTION FALLING

Transportation Companies Delude People Into Believing Place Is Paradise and Boat Loads Continue to Arrive, Although There Are Ten for Each Job.

Consul H. W. Brush at Niagara Falls has sent a report to the State Department regarding an investigation just completed by Canadian business men, of the outlook in the Klondike. It is a most gloomy picture of the situation in the gold city.

Mr. Brush says: "Mr. George H. Hess was recently sent to Dawson by the Canadian Manufacturers' Association to make a thorough examination into the business prospects of the Yukon territory."

"The total yield of gold last year in the Klondike was \$2,000,000. The production of the coming year, according to the Government estimates, will not exceed \$14,000,000, a falling off of nearly one-half."

"No new discoveries have been made for over a year, although since 1897 thousands of prospectors have been exploring every creek and mountain in the country."

"At Dawson, Mr. Hess reports ten applicants for every job, yet boat load after boat load of men continue to arrive, the transportation companies keeping up the illusion abroad that Dawson is the needy man's paradise."

RAILROAD PRESIDENT TO BE PROSECUTED

Serious Charges Brought by Workmen.

Say They Were Deceived Into Going to Omaha to Take the Place of Strikers.

OMAHA, Neb., Aug. 26.—Unless President Burt, of the Union Pacific, meets the demands of workmen who were brought here from Indianapolis to fill strikers' places in the shops he will be arrested on a charge of false imprisonment.

The men say that they were hired at Indianapolis with the understanding that there was no strike here and that they would not be required to fill strikers' places. They say each gave \$5 to the railroad agent for filing an application for work.

At Council Bluffs, where they first learned of the strike, they were locked in the cars and kept imprisoned until Omaha was reached.

They demand their money back, return transportation to Indianapolis, and pay for their time lost.

The railroad offered transportation to Chicago and out of the thirteen who came accepted it. The rest will fight.

JERSEY INVENTOR AFTER ST. LOUIS AIRSHIP PRIZE

Has a Craft All Ready to Enter World's Fair Contest.

ELIZABETH, N. J., Aug. 26.—An airship intended for competition at the St. Louis World's Fair has been constructed by an Elizabeth mechanic. The inventor and builder is Paul J. Reid, formerly of Chester county, Pa.

The machine, which is the fourth model constructed, is larger than model No. 3, which had flown successfully in flights of 500 feet. It is fifteen feet long, is mounted on wheels and carries two aeroplanes, having a surface of 365 square feet. It is propelled by four vacuum tubes and a steam turbine driving a two-bladed propeller. With a weight of twenty-three pounds it is designed to carry a weight of twenty pounds and to fly over a mile course.



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BIDDLE AND HIS BRIDE SEEKING SECLUSION

Wealthy Philadelphian Whose Secret Marriage Startled Society Leaves Atlantic City.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 26.—J. C. Mercer Biddle, the member of the Philadelphia Biddle family who at Atlantic City on August 11 secretly married Anna Teresa Brennan, a beautiful young woman not of the same rank socially and financially, appears to have fired of the notoriety that has followed the announcement of the secret wedding.

He and his wife having departed from their Atlantic City cottage yesterday, it was thought they had returned to Philadelphia to live, but today neither could be located here. The bride appeared suddenly last night at the house she occupied here previous to her marriage, but the servants had departed, and after pushing the bell and sitting on the stoop and refusing to be interviewed for an hour she left, presumably to join her husband.

EIGHTY-THREE HORSES PERISH IN THE FLAMES

Livery Stable in Philadelphia Fired by Tramps—Loss \$20,000.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 26.—Eighty-three horses were burned to death last night in a fire at Peoples' Bros. stables, at Thirtieth and Spring Garden Streets. Fifty-two animals were saved. The loss is about \$20,000.

The stable was a two-story structure and the flames started about the center of the building. They were discovered by William Meehan, the stable boss. As soon as he saw that an alarm had been turned in he started to release the horses and get them out. Then the fire